

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 611 – HB 832

April 12, 2011

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005720):** Applies the restriction on a healthcare provider to practice upon termination or conclusion of the employment or contractual relationship to osteopathic physicians. Deletes the section specifying that any restriction shall not be binding on a healthcare provider who has been employed by, or under contract with, the employing or contracting entity for at least six years unless the healthcare provider and the employing or contracting entity mutually agree to extend the six-year period for a term not to exceed six years.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Current law applies the reasonable conditions for restricting a healthcare provider's practice only to licensed podiatrists, chiropractors, dentists, medical doctors, osteopathic physicians, and psychologists. Extending the scope of the restriction to all osteopathic physicians will not result in a significant regulatory or fiscal impact on the Division of Health Related Boards, the Board of Medical Examiners, or the Board of Osteopathic Examiners.
- Rulemaking and any additional regulatory duties imposed on affected Boards can be accomplished during regularly scheduled Board meetings and will not result in a significant fiscal impact to the state.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2010, the Board of Medical Examiners had a balance of \$890,444.43 and the Board of Osteopathic Examiners had a balance of \$95,105.43. The Division of Health Related Boards had a cumulative balance of \$5,416,959.35.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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